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Tax money keeps private hospital open

HEALTH A private hospital teetering on the edge of bankruptcy will remain open to perform publicly funded surgeries in Alberta for the next 10 months.

But the province's health provider ended up paying \$1.3 million to one of the hospital's creditors to bolster its legal case that the facility keep operating.

The Calgary-based Health Resource Centre has done about 1,000 hip, knee, foot and ankle surgeries a year — about a third of the total done in Alberta — for the last four years.

But an ongoing legal dispute between Network Health Inc., which owns the centre, and creditor Cambrian Group of Companies had the hospital on the verge of shutting down.

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Legislature Meet the new boss



New Lt.-Gov. Donald S. Ethell, left, shares a laugh with Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach about the fact that his instalment ceremony falls on the same day as the premier's birthday, at the Alberta legislature, in Edmonton yesterday.

Police probe LRT hit

Rider claims pellet went through window of train

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When Doug Wilchynski saw the window next to him shatter and what appeared to be a pellet lying on the floor of the LRT train he was riding on Monday night, he assumed he was in for at least an hour of questioning.

Instead, the visitor from Vancouver said he answered a few questions from transit police officers, was given a transfer and sent on his way.

Wilchynski said that a pellet went through the

"I'm from Vancouver, if people take shots at SkyTrain, they get caught. It really surprised me that there was no response at all."

Doug Wilchynski, witness

window as the train was rolling into the Coliseum station at about 9:30 p.m. He said he tried to pick up the object, which landed in the middle of the train, but it was too hot and he dropped it into a crack by the doors.

When the train pulled into the station, Wilchynski said he was led off by three officers who questioned him momentarily

and sent him away on the next train.

Wilchynski said none of the other passengers on the full LRT were questioned and the train left as scheduled.

"I'm from Vancouver, if people take shots at SkyTrain, they get caught," Wilchynski said.

"It really surprised me that there was no response at all."

Patricia Dickson, an Edmonton Transit spokesperson, said a window was shattered but officers didn't recover whatever caused the damage.

"They investigated but couldn't find a projectile," Dickson said. "They haven't stated what it was that went through the window, just that it was shattered."

The case file was passed over to Edmonton Police Service for further investigation, according to Dickson.

Wilchynski said that the driver of the train showed concern and asked the passengers if they were OK before leaving the station.

Feds move to replace pardons

POLITICS New federal legislation tabled by the government would do away with pardons for criminals and replace them with harder-to-get "record suspensions."

Some criminals, those convicted of sex crimes against children or those with three or more serious convictions, won't even be allowed to apply for such a suspension.

"It's not the state's business to be in the forgiveness business," Public Safety Minister Vic Toews said yesterday as he outlined the proposed legislation.

"The current system of pardons implies that what the person did is somehow OK, or is forgiven or that the harm done has somehow disappeared. Our government disagrees."

Under the new legislation, people convicted of minor crimes will have to wait five years before applying for a record suspension and those guilty of more serious offences will have to wait 10 years.

As well, it will be up to the criminal to demonstrate that a record suspension would contribute to his or her rehabilitation.

Craig Jones, executive director of the John Howard Society, called it a rush to judgment.

He said there may be a case for a review of pardons and parole, but it should be done slowly and carefully, by panels of experts, not by "short-term-oriented, hair-on-fire opportunists."

The legislation follows a public uproar that began when The Canadian Press revealed that hockey coach Graham James had obtained a pardon in 2007 after he was convicted for sexual assaults against two teens, including Sheldon Kennedy, who went on to play in the National Hockey League. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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High on Fire tickets available

Heavy-handed metal trio High on Fire, left, will be burning up the Starlite Room on July 10. Doors open at 8 p.m. No minors allowed. Tickets are on sale now and available through Ticketmaster. METRO EDMONTON



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@mcmamus17 #yeg at clients and a huge spider dropped down into our records co-worker turned very pale haha

News in brief

INJURED Several firefighters from Edgerton, a small community southeast of Edmonton, were injured after a house exploded Monday night. The building blew up for some unknown reason, throwing one firefighter and injuring several others.

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Blogs It's Called Football welcomes The Fix author Declan Hill to discuss 2010 World Cup match fixing



Pageant gone wrong

Miss Edmonton misses out on semis due to mixup

A beauty pageant turned ugly for a 23-year-old representing Edmonton last weekend in Surrey, B.C.

Ziyah Karmali, Miss Edmonton, was one of 32 women vying for the opportunity to represent Canada in the Miss World 2010 competition in November.

She was doing exceptionally well in the competition, having already won the awards for top fundraiser, top promotions and Miss Friendship, when she was given a golden ticket into the semifinals with the people's choice award.

But that's when it all went wrong.

"They gave me the people's choice award, but they called the wrong girl up to stand in the semifinals lineup," said a disappointed Karmali. "All my adrenaline started pumping and I was thinking, 'Maybe they're going to call me next,' but they never called my name. It was kind of a mess."

Karmali and her supporters approached the director, Katherine Grefner of Upstage This! Productions, after the show. They were told that someone would look into it, but no public



Miss Edmonton Ziyah Karmali says she never made it to the semifinals lineup at a beauty pageant in B.C. last weekend after another contestant's name was mistakenly called out.

"It was a horrible experience."

Miss Edmonton Ziyah Karmali

announcement has been made and Karmali has not received an apology.

"It was a horrible experience," Karmali said. "If it's

going to be the same production company putting on the show, I don't feel respected by them and I definitely won't be supporting them again next year."

Metro Edmonton attempted to contact representatives from Upstage This! Productions yesterday but did not get a response.

ANDREAS MORSE/METRO EDMONTON

Alberta to spend \$1.9M to curb deaths of young Somalis

FUNDING The Alberta government says it will spend \$1.9 million to try to cut the rising number of Somali youth dying in drug-trade violence.

About 30 young Somali

men have been killed in Alberta in the last five years. Most have died violently in a battle for control of the lucrative drug trade.

The money will be spread over three programs. The

bulk of it, \$1.3 million, will be used to help Somali families integrate into Canadian life by assisting them with employment, education and language.

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Fringe Theatre offering adventures for all ages

LINEUP For those who wish for the Fringe all year round, Fringe Theatre Adventures announced its new performance lineup for the 2010-2011 theatre season at the TransAlta Arts Barns yesterday.

While the Adventures in Fringe Theatre is an adult lineup of plays, and runs from October 2010 to March 2011, the Adventures in Family Theatre offers entertainment that both kids and parents can enjoy and runs at the TransAlta Arts Barns from December 2010 to April 2011.

"In addition to our Family Adventure series, we are giving our adult audiences a little Fringe love by kicking off our Fringe Adventure series this October with a heart-stopping thriller for Halloween," said Thomas Scott, programming director for Fringe Theater Adventures.

For the adults, three new plays have been added to the lineup: Any Night, a dark mystery about a young woman with night terrors who develops a relationship with a young man living above her; Mozart: Ze Komplete Hystery, a combination of music and comedy based on the life of Mozart; and An Evening with Uncle Val, a sarcastic comedy about a 70-year-old man who gets trapped in St. John's, N.L.

This is part of Fringe Theatre Adventures' commitment to bring theatre and young people together,



Andrew MacDonald Smith sings a short excerpt of a song from the new production of Jack and the Beanstalk yesterday at the TransAlta Arts Barns.

Scott said.

"Each of our Family Adventure presentations offers special performances for Edmonton-area schoolchildren to attend."

Three new plays have also been added to the listings of family performances: Jack and the Beanstalk, a musical rendition of this classic fairy tale; The Barber of Barhead, a tale of life during the gold-rush featuring the Edmonton Opera; and Les Parfait Inconnus, a play about six characters trying to outdo each other's outrageous antics featuring electrifying music, circus acts and comedy.

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Will Power speaks to media at a press conference yesterday at Northlands. The Australian racer will return to Edmonton to compete after a brutal accident last season.

Will Power back for upcoming Honda Indy

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It took a lot of willpower to get the current IZOD IndyCar series points leader back behind the wheel of a racecar after a brutal accident last season, but Edmonton race fans are glad he did.

"When it happened I really thought that was it, I was done with racing," Will Power said about his crash last year in California. "The pain was so bad, I thought that was it and I wasn't sure if I'd ever get another opportunity."

Power broke two vertebrae in his back and fractured two more but after a long recovery, he said he's come back stronger than ever and his results speak for themselves.

The Australian won his first two races after getting back on the track and currently leads the championship, a position he'd like to maintain coming in to Edmonton in July.

"It's been a really good start to the season but the series this year is the most competitive it's ever been," he said. "You've got so many good drivers in good cars. I believe this is

the top series in the world."

This year's Honda Indy goes July 23-25. Tickets are on sale now and are available through Ticketmaster. Three-day grandstand seats start at \$135.

"This is one of the toughest, most physical and technical tracks that we race on," said the winner of last year's Edmonton race. "I'm really looking forward to coming back here. This event is probably one of the best events that we have as far as crowd noise and atmosphere so I'm very happy to be competing."

News in brief

THEFT Police are asking the public for help to identify a woman who police say has been targeting young mall employees and taking their wallets. The victims have generally been in their early 20s and working in retail stores at both Londonderry and City Centre malls. During these incidents, police say the woman entered the retail stores about an hour before closing, found the employee's wallets and then left the store. After leaving, the

woman would call the store identifying herself as a bank employee to speak with the owners of the missing wallets, and obtain the PINs to their debit cards by telling the victims that she will need it to change their current PIN. The suspect is a white female in her 20s with brown hair and a medium build.

RICK HANSEN FILM Rick Hansen was the Man in Motion, now he's the Man in Motion-Picture. Inspired by

Hansen's Man in Motion tour, Heart of a Dragon shines a light on his ascent up the Great Wall of China. Heart of a Dragon was written, directed and produced by Vancouver filmmaker Micheal French with executive producers David Foster and Mark Gordon. The film is playing as part of the Lime-light Film Showcase and airs at 7 p.m. tonight and 6:30 p.m. tomorrow night at the Citadel Theatre.

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Library to throw the book at 'em?

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"This is a civic issue that affects the entire square."

Linda Cook, CEO
Edmonton Public
Library

URBAN AFFAIRS In most cities, people don't consider a trip to the library potentially dangerous.

Edmonton Public Library responded to recent safety concerns about the downtown library location across the street from Churchill Square yesterday.

Problems have plagued this location in the past. Most recently, Shari Non-

ame, 24, was charged with robbery, aggravated assault, and possession of a weapon after allegedly stabbing a 14-year-old girl in the neck outside the library when she refused to give Noname a cigarette.

"We don't believe that this is strictly a library issue," said Linda Cook, CEO of the Edmonton Public Library. "This is a civic issue that affects the entire square."

Cook said that incidents inside the library have decreased by almost 50 per cent in 2009, and declined by 78 per cent in the first quarter of 2010. Cook will be meeting with the mayor, the chief of police, and the city manager on Friday morning to discuss this issue.

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Manitoba is set to join other provinces such as Ontario in banning negative-option billing. The NDP government is proposing legislation that would disallow companies from charging consumers for services they didn't ask for. Penalties would range up to \$300,000 in fines. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Feds extend seal hunt to end of May

The annual East Coast seal hunt has been extended until the end of the month to allow hunters more time to meet their quota and find markets for their pelts. The hunt opened April 8 but has struggled this year with weak market demand and only one buyer. Federal Fisheries Minister Gail Shea said in a release yesterday that extending the end of the hunt from May 15 until May 31 will ensure sealers "make the best of their opportunities in difficult economic times."

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Iran court sentences Canadian to 74 lashes

CRACKDOWN An Iranian-Canadian Newsweek reporter said yesterday the Iranian government is attempting to frighten people from protesting or reporting on the June 12 anniversary of the disputed presidential elections by

sentencing him in absentia to 13 years in prison and 74 lashes.

Maziar Bahari, 43, said a series of judgments against those involved in protests was intended to have a chilling effect on possible protests on the anniversary

of last year's elections. He said he would not appeal the court's decision. "I didn't send my lawyer even to the court's hearing. I don't recognize the court as legal. I don't want to give it any credence," he said from London. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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Four family members were found dead in their home after it was swept away in a landslide yesterday in St-Jude, Que.

Buried in their home

It took only an instant for an idyllic country scene to collapse in an apocalyptic heap — the earth opened, gobbled up part of a village and dragged a family of four down to its death in a muddy crater.

Authorities said the hockey-mad Prefontaine were in the basement of their elegant country home cheering on the Montreal Canadiens when the landslide struck on Monday night.

"After digging and going through the rubble we found the four victims," Michel Dore, Quebec's emergency management co-ordinator, said last night.

"They were found very close to one another, some of them lying on the couch in the family room

in the basement."

The first body found belonged to father Richard Prefontaine.

The landslide tore a hole more than four times the size of a football field into St-Jude, a farming community about 50 kilometres east of Montreal. It ate up three cars, one stretch of a concrete road and most of the Prefontaine house that once sat by a cliff over a tributary of the Yamaska River. The landslide pulled down that cliff.

The area is laden with clay, and residents say they've had nasty incidents before, including a ground collapse a few years ago that wiped out a small bridge, but never anything like this. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Tory aide cops to 'mistake'

ACCESS A Conservative staffer who blocked the release of a report to the media repeatedly evaded questions on how many other times he interfered in the Access to Information system. Sebastien Togneri had previously told a Commons committee he made a "mistake" in ordering that a 137-page document — already cleared by non-partisan civil servants and government lawyers — be "unreleased."

Under further questioning before the committee

yesterday, he repeatedly consulted his lawyer when asked how frequently this type of practice occurred. "Uh, in my, my ... yes it's the only time I, uh ... This was, you know, a mistake I made," Togneri said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Complaints about school bus bullying of disabled son earn a dad some frustrating advice.

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Rescuers struggle to reach trapped miners

Thirty-eight Siberian coal miners are buried so deep in Russia's largest underground coal mine that rescuers use up most of their oxygen tanks trying to reach them and can't spend much time searching for the missing men, the regional governor said yesterday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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World



Cartoonist attacked by protester

A Swedish artist who angered Muslims by depicting the Prophet Muhammad as a dog was assaulted yesterday as angry protesters interrupted his university lecture about the limits of artistic freedom. Lars Vilks said a man in the front row ran up to him and head-butted him during the lecture, breaking his glasses but leaving him uninjured. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Demonstrators stand with a 50-foot banner in front of the White House yesterday in Washington. The banner, meant to protest the drilling of fossil fuels, was signed by Gulf residents and marched from the Department of Interior to the White House.

Pope places blame for sex scandal on church's own shoulders

VATICAN Pope Benedict XVI yesterday blamed the Catholic church's own sins for the clerical abuse scandal — not a campaign mounted by outsiders — and called for profound purification to end what he called the “greatest persecution” the church has endured.

His strong comments placed responsibility for the crisis squarely on the sins of pedophile priests, repudiating the Vatican's

initial response to the scandal in which it blamed the media as well as pro-choice and pro-gay marriage advocates for mounting what it called a campaign against the church and the pope.

Speaking en route to Portugal, Benedict said the Catholic church had always suffered from problems of its own making, but that “today we see it in a truly terrifying way.”

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Oil-rig firms chastised by lawmakers

Congress called BP and its drilling partners to account yesterday for a “cascade of failures” behind the spreading Gulf oil spill, zeroing in on a crucial chain of events at the deep-sea wellhead just before an explosion consumed the rig and set off the catastrophic rupture.

In back-to-back Senate inquiries, lawmakers chastised executives of the three companies at the heart of the massive spill over attempts to shift the blame to each other. And they were asked to explain why better preparations had not been made to head off the accident.

“Let me be really clear,” Lamar McKay, chairman of BP America, told the hearing. “Liability, blame, fault — put it over here.” He said: “Our obligation is to deal with the spill, clean it up and make sure the impacts of that spill are compensated, and we’re going to do that.”

By “over here,” McKay meant the witness table at which BP, Transocean and Halliburton executives sat shoulder to shoulder. And despite his acknowledgment of responsibility, each company defended its own operations and raised

questions about its partners in the project.

Lawmakers compared the calamity to some of history's most notorious mishaps from sea to space in the first congressional inquiry into the April 20 explosion and so-far-unstoppable spill. In the crowded hearing room, eight young activists sat in quiet protest, with black T-shirts saying, “Energy Shouldn’t Cost Lives.”

BP was the exploratory well's owner and overall operator, Transocean the rig's owner and Halliburton a subcontractor that was encasing the well pipe in cement before plugging it in anticipation of future production.

The explosion is thought to have begun with a surge of methane gas from deep within the well, and while the cause is still under early investigation, the testimony provided some insight.

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Good for the world, bad for Iran: Roadblocks slow Iran's nuclear enrichment plans.

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News in brief

CHINA A Chinese news agency says seven children were hacked to death and at least 20 others injured in a violent rampage at a kindergarten in northwest Shaanxi province, in the latest in a string of attacks on schools. The official Xinhua

News Agency did not immediately give any other details on the morning attack. It comes after three attacks at schools and kindergartens late last month left dozens of children injured.

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An idea that might take flight

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It's hard to believe, but Canada does not have a national bird. It's even harder to believe, but there's actually someone out there who cares.

The Canadian Raptor Conservancy (CRC), from

somewhere in Ontario, has captured the imagination of a nation fed up with the usual bird brains by sponsoring a write-in contest to determine a bird of a different feather, a national bird, and then taking the results to Ottawa. Where, presumably, they will be interred in the National Petition Graveyard along with all the others.

So score one for the CRC. But, as you might expect from an organization dedicated to conserving raptors, the results to date

are skewed. The red-tailed hawk is in the lead, with the Canada goose second and the loon third.

I'm sure the red-tailed hawk is a swell bird, but it's hardly a national icon. Not only that, its nickname is the chicken hawk. If you ask me, we don't even want to go there.

The Canada goose already says Canada — literally — but as it has moved in and pooped all over city parks from Citadel Hill to Stanley Park, it hardly needs to be encouraged. Who can resist the call

of the loon? Certainly not Ontario, which has already adopted the loon as its provincial bird. We don't want to launch a constitutional crisis by stealing its bird. Ontario is feeling fragile as it is.

The gull? Rats with wings. Ditto pigeons.

We could ruffle the feathers of our American cousins and adopt the bald eagle as our national bird, as there are more bald eagles in B.C. than the entire United States, but as various countries around the world have learned, it's

not wise to mess with the U.S.

Instead, why not adopt a bird that has a real Canadian personality? I nominate *passer domesticus*, also known as the common house sparrow.

She's a hardy little critter who toughs out the Canadian winter and survives everything we throw at her: Cats, pesticides, concrete, nasty little boys with BB guns, etc. She's so hardy she's on the Least Concern list of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature

and Natural Resources, which keeps track of species around the globe. She's a survivor.

And she couldn't be less like the bald eagle, which is the epitome of imperialism: Proud, majestic, cruel. The house sparrow turns up every day, dependable and humble, just like us. Considering how things are going for the eagle these days, that's not such a bad thing.

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Word on the street: Do you think the catastrophic worldwide weather patterns are a sign the apocalypse is nigh?

Patrick
Davidson
Edmonton

A: No, not at all. I think there are highs and lows with our weather, and I think, with global warming and things like that, people obviously need to take care of the Earth a little bit better.

Dez
Ross
Edmonton

A: I think it's a sign that we are creating our own apocalypse.

Robert
Siebold
Edmonton

A: No, because there have been historically weirder weather patterns. I've read a lot on the 19th century and there were weirder things that have happened than have happened now.

Laura
Steffen
Vancouver

A: This is climate change. Global warming does exist. I've seen in my life how much the weather has changed.

Leo
Neitzel
Ottawa

A: I think so. The extremes are getting more extreme. Huge things happen in such little amounts of time.

Ann
Nadeau
Toronto

A: No, I do not. People have been talking about that forever. In every era, people think theirs is different ... There were special things in all eras.



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Canwest to focus online

The new head of Canwest's newspaper division says the media company needs to dedicate more attention to selling advertising space on its slate of websites in order to boost profits.

Paul Godfrey says the newspaper chain — which owns the Montreal Gazette, Vancouver Sun and Ottawa Citizen — should adopt a “digital-first attitude” when it comes to its future operations.

Canwest Global Communications announced Monday it had approved the sale of its newspapers to a group of creditors led by Godfrey, who is president of the National Post. The deal is worth \$1.1 billion, including enough cash to pay off the bank lenders, which are owed about \$925 million. The chain has been under court protection.

The bid beat out an offer from Torstar Corp., which had the backing of insurance and investment management firm Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd.

The sale makes Godfrey — a former Sun Media and



Paul Godfrey

Toronto Blue Jay executive — one of the most powerful media bosses in Canada. A veteran of Canada's media industry, Godfrey was hired more than a year and a half ago to revamp the Post's operations.

Godfrey said his focus on boosting the company's Internet presence isn't a cold shoulder to the newspaper industry.

He said the bid shows he's still confident in papers, and the National Post is well on its way to being profitable again, though he did not provide a specific timeline.

Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty said yesterday that Godfrey can remain chairman of the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corp. and there is no conflict of interest after Godfrey led a successful bid for the Canwest newspaper chain.

“He'll continue with his responsibilities at the OLG,” McGuinty said, in response to questions from journalists.

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Canadians still too far in debt: Report

ECONOMY A new report by the Certified General Accountants Association of Canada shows household debt in the country kept rising through the recession and peaked in December at \$1.41 trillion.

That's \$41,740 on average per Canadian, or debt-to-income ratio of 144 per cent — the worst among 20 advanced countries in the OECD.

“This report is another indication of Canadians' readiness to consume today and pay later,” association president Anthony Ariganello said.

“The concern is do they understand the full cost of paying later?”

The Bank of Canada has also voiced similar concerns.

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Toronto equals Wayne Gretzky?

SECURITIES Toronto is the Wayne Gretzky of Canada's financial markets and should be home to a new national securities regulator, Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty said yesterday.

“The leading goal scorer when it comes to banking and financial institutions in this country is Toronto, Ontario. We can do it, and we can do it well for the benefit of the whole team, Canada,” McGuinty said.

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The Dallas Stars and goaltender Kari Lehtonen agreed yesterday to a three-year, \$10.65 million US contract extension that locks up Marty Turco's replacement through the 2012-13 season. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sports



Dead golfer had bags packed

LPGA golfer Erica Blasberg had her bags packed for a tournament in Alabama when she died suddenly at her home in suburban Henderson, Nev., her agent said yesterday. Police aren't saying how she died. Blasberg, left, was scheduled to leave last Sunday to play a qualification round on Monday for the Bell Micro LPGA Classic in Mobile, said the agent, Chase Callahan. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Glendale will pay to keep Coyotes

NHL The Glendale city council has guaranteed the NHL up to \$25 million US to keep the Phoenix Coyotes in Jobing.com Arena for the 2010-2011 season.

But city manager Ed Beasley and NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly both told the council that the sale of the Coyotes is still expected to close by the end of June and the payments may never be needed.

Beasley also told the council that both Ice Edge Holdings — a group of Canadian and U.S. investors — and a group headed by Chicago sports mogul Jerry Reinsdorf are talking about buying the Phoenix Coyotes. Reports have had Reinsdorf's group dropping out in recent days.

The NHL purchased the team out of bankruptcy last September with the stated intention of selling it to a buyer who would keep the franchise in Arizona.

The franchise never has turned a profit since moving to Arizona and is expected to lose at least \$20 million this year.

Last season began with the team playing in a mostly empty arena, but with the Coyotes' surprising success on the ice, the crowds grew to a rowdy capacity.

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Chicago Blackhawks Dave Bolland scores against Vancouver Canucks goaltender Roberto Luongo as Canucks Pavol Demitra looks on last night in Vancouver. Chicago won 5-1.

Canucks stop here

(Chicago wins series 4-2)

Canucks 1 Blackhawks 5



Troy Brouwer and Kris Versteeg scored 36 seconds apart in the second period, then Dave Bolland stuck the fork in with a shorthanded goal as the Chicago Blackhawks defeated the Vancouver Canucks 5-1 last night to win the NHL Western Conference semifinal series.

Patrick Kane, on a

breakaway, and Dustin Byfuglien, who had kicked sand in the Canucks' face all series, also scored for the Hawks, who won the best-of-seven series 4-2.

The victory came one year to the day after Chicago beat Vancouver 7-5 in Game 6 to win the 2009 Western Conference semifinal.

Defenceman Shane O'Brien scored for the Canucks, who have lost in the second round of the playoffs three of the last four years.

His goal came moments after Kevin Bieksa had hit

the cross-bar.

Brouwer scored the match's first goal just two minutes into the second. He took a perfect pass from Patrick Sharp and directed it past Vancouver goaltender Roberto Luongo. It was Brouwer's first game back after being a healthy scratch following the first game of the series.

A turnover by Bieksa resulted in Chicago's second goal. Versteeg scooped up the puck, then skated in on Luongo, using Andrew Ladd as a decoy. He beat the Canuck goalie with a low shot. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Celtics push Cavs to brink with big win

(Boston leads series 3-1)

Celtics 120 Cavaliers 88



The Boston Celtics pushed the Cleveland Cavaliers dangerously close to an early start to the Summer of LeBron.

Ray Allen scored 25 points, Rajon Rondo scored all of his 16 in the second half and the Celtics, once thought too old to challenge for another title, beat LeBron James and the Cavs 120-88 in Game 5 last night to move within one win of knocking the NBA's top team from the playoffs.

Paul Pierce added 21 and Kevin Garnett 18 for the Celtics, who handed the Cavs their worst home playoff loss in history and can end Cleveland's season with a win in Game 6 on Thursday night.

"We cannot come back here," Garnett said. "We have to think this is our

Game 7 coming up and we cannot afford to have the best team in the league have a Game 7 on their floor. Just not possible."

James, the league's two-time MVP on the verge of an expected trip into free agency on July 1, had an atrocious game. He scored 15 points on 3-of-14 shooting, a startling outing for the 25-year-old who has been playing with a sprained elbow.

Because of James' uncertain future, Game 5 may have been his last at home for Cleveland and it has set up Game 6 as the most important in franchise history: Win and force Game 7 on Sunday in Cleveland; lose and maybe watch James leave for good.

Rondo, coming off a 29-point, 18-rebound, 13-assist performance in Game 4, was held without a point in the first half as the Cavs concentrated their defence on stopping the point guard from penetrating into the paint.

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Sports in brief

LACROSSE The Edmonton Rush's Derek Keenan has won two major awards from the National Lacrosse League. Keenan has been named the NLL's GM of the Year and also the co-recipient of the Les Bartley Award as the 2010 Coach of the Year.

BASEBALL Seattle Mariners designated hitter Ken Griffey Jr. insists he was available to pinch-hit during a recent game despite reports he was taking a nap. Quoting two Mariners who spoke anonymously, The (Tacoma) News Tribune wrote that Griffey was asleep in the clubhouse Saturday and unavailable to bat. Griffey was asked about the matter yesterday and said he's "available all the time."

HOCKEY Olympic jerseys from some of the NHL's biggest stars

were on the EBay auction block last night to raise money for humanitarian relief in Haiti. Jerseys from players including Sidney Crosby, Roberto Luongo and Alexander Ovechkin are on the virtual block for the NHL Players' Association's "Hockey for Haiti" project raising money for World Vision. **FOOTBALL** Cornerback Adam (Pacman) Jones worked out with the Cincinnati Bengals for the first time since they gave him another chance to revive his troubled career. Jones participated in a voluntary off-season workout at Paul Brown Stadium yesterday. Afterward, he thanked the city and the team for the opportunity to get back into football. He didn't take questions.

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Racing into history

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Travel



An award no company wants to win

Worst name for a car rental company? Rent-a-Bomb. That's among the winners in a new book entitled the Titanic Awards — a compilation of travel gripes written by Doug Lansky, a travel writer in Sweden who started titanicawards.com in 2009 to highlight the worst of the travel industry. The awards are broken down into several categories.

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Boracay's beaches best bar none

Island offers a tropical escape for anyone on a tight budget

INGA JASNA
Metro World News

I finally did it, I quit my job. But there's no point being a boss if you can't make executive decisions and my first one was to give myself a holiday.

So I bought a return ticket and jumped on a plane headed for the Philippines — Manila to be precise.

Manila is big and noisy — and like most big cities in Asia you want to leave as soon as possible. So, the next morning I boarded a tiny plane to a town called Caticlan then a short ferry to the tropical paradise that is Boracay Island.

I had no hotel so I asked a driver and ended up at Holiday Homes de Boracay — a paradise for pennies.

The normal going rate was 1,500 pesos (\$25) per night — but I was staying for three weeks and negotiated a 600 pesos (\$10) per night deal for a suite in a beach hotel with en suite bathroom, one huge double bed and 60-channel TV.

There was a delicious all-you-can-eat buffet for about \$5 and it was served at candle-lit tables on the beach.

And in Boracay the beaches are everything.

On the seven-kilometres-long, one-kilometre-wide island there are 12 of them.

The longest and most famous is White



Boracay's sunsets are topped by no others in the world.

Sand beach — porcelain sands framed by swaying palm trees, at the edge of crystal clear blue water — the kind of place it is impossible to take a bad picture here.

The nightlife is busy too. I could often hear a ballad playing in my left ear.

But what stands out most is the contrast between most mainstream resorts and Boracay — there are almost no tourists here. It makes the sea seem bluer, the sands whiter and your mind calmer.

As I stepped into the waves I experienced that calm and at that moment I knew I'd made the right decision.

A paradise for just pennies

Balut for the brave



• Not everything in Boracay is beautiful. Food in Boracay is largely European and the seafood is excellent (try the Escondido or Boracay Crab House for some the best crab and prawns) but the braver diners may wish to sample the real local delicacy Balut. Balut is basically a duck or chicken egg with a half-formed embryo inside. It is either a charming and delicious slice of Philippines life or a horror show.



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Used and confused

Canadian drivers are making uninformed decisions when they're buying used cars, and more than half who have purchased a pre-owned car admitted they didn't get all the facts, according to a survey commissioned by Kijiji Canada.

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New Galant rock solid

Can Mitsu take on rivals?

PETER BLEAKNEY
for Metro Canada



Lets have a show of hands. How many of you have seen a Mitsubishi Galant on the road recently? Um ... okay. Anyone even know what a Galant looks like?

Cue the crickets. This, the ninth-generation of Mitsubishi's four-door mid-sized sedan, has been around since 2003, and flies so far under shopper's radar it's almost subterranean. Last year Mitsu moved 463 Galants in Canada (total Mitsubishi sales were 19,786). Compare that to 15,524 Toyota Camrys and 16,526 Ford Fusions.

2010 Mitsubishi Galant

Type: Mid-sized sedan
Price: from \$23,998
Engine: 2.4L four-cylinder
HP: 160

Highlights

- Refined handling
- Roomy interior

For 2010, Mitsubishi has streamlined the Galant line to one model — the 160 hp 2.4L four-cylinder ES with four-speed manual, un-heated fabric seats and nary an available option. Asking price is \$23,998, which puts it right in the thick of this fiercely competitive seg-



ment. Exhibit A: the all-new and very stylish 2011 Hyundai Sonata that packs a 198 hp direct-injection 2.4L four with six-speed auto for \$24,249.

The Galant is not a bad car. It's just not a great car, and in this company you may as well just stay home.

For 2010 the Galant gets side skirts, black headlight surrounds (from last year's 3.8L V6 GT model) a new grill and 16-inch alloys that look somewhat lost in the

wheel wells.

In the plus ledger, the Galant feels structurally rock solid and exhibits a matured and refined ride/handling balance. While the steering isn't particularly communicative, it is quick and accurate. All in all, this Mitsu is quite comfortable, with good seats, plenty of headroom and capacious rear quarters.

While the four-speed auto is down one or two cogs from the competition, it's a



smooth and quick shifting unit. In day-to-day operation it works just fine, and I didn't really miss the extra

gears.

Mitsubishi has added standard stability control to the 2010 Galant ES.

Lamborghini couture reaches Canadian shores

They say when you've got it, flaunt it, and it's hard to flaunt any harder than toiling down your street in a Lamborghini, the cheapest of which retails for around \$200,000.

But what if you don't have it and you still want to flaunt it?

Well, you can drive your Toyota Corolla to the Automobili Lamborghini Boutique in Richmond, B.C., and buy yourself a Lamborghini jacket, or a hoodie, or maybe just a coffee mug. Or if you are just visit-

ing Vancouver, you can check in there for some out-of-town shopping.

The purveyor of ultra-exclusive, outrageously styled exotic cars has opened only its third retail shop in the world in this Vancouver suburb — the others are in Beijing and Los Angeles.

The store in Richmond's upscale Aberdeen Centre had its grand opening last weekend, highlighted by a parade of Lamborghinis to the mall and then a fashion show displaying its "collezione" of Italian-de-



Models showcase Lamborghini's sports clothes at the grand opening of the automaker's boutique in Richmond, B.C.

signed sporty clothes carrying Lambo's trademark

Spanish fighting bull logo. In the last three years

company officials have discovered what other ultra-luxury automakers such as arch-rival Ferrari have known for some time: a lot of people want to identify themselves, even in a small way, with la dolce vita.

"If you're a luxury brand there is always the opportunity to sell even outside the core business," says Stephan Winkelmann, president of Automobili Lamborghini S.p.A., in town for the store's grand opening.

The doorstop-shaped

Lamborghini Gallardo, whose 560-horsepower V-10 engine rockets the two-seater to 100 kilometres an hour in 3.7 seconds, starts at around \$198,000.

Dream car, to be sure. That's what the clothes and trinkets are about, too, says Winkelmann.

"It's all about emotions; it's about fulfilling dreams and we have even the duty to do something to let the people feel part of this world of Lamborghini," he says.

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MODEL: 2000 to 2006 Toyota Tundra
VEHICLE TYPE: Pickup truck
APPROXIMATE USED PRICE RANGE: \$9,000 to \$22,000

HISTORY/DESCRIPTION:

When the last-generation Toyota Tundra was launched in 1999, it was anyone's guess how a full-sized Japanese pickup would compete with the likes of established models from Dodge, GM and Ford. Despite its relatively small sales volumes, the Tundra impressed owners and media alike, and quickly went on to receive numerous awards from industry authorities.

Tundra came initially with a 3.4 litre V6 engine with 190 horsepower, or a 4.7 litre dual-cam V8 that cranked out 245. The V6 was eventually enlarged to a four-litre, 245 horsepower unit, while the V8 was re-tuned to generate 282 ponies — depending on the year in question.

Look for a five or six-speed manual gearbox, or a four or five-speed automatic transmission, depending on the model and year. Regular cab, access cab or double cab bodies were available, and all models shared the same wheelbase and frame.

Tundra's features list included items like antilock brakes, an off-road package, fog-lamps, power accessories, leather seats and front captain's chairs. Note that dealers offered a comprehensive selection of add-on parts, organizers and audio system upgrades, too.

WHAT OWNERS LIKE: Of course, capability, power, all-terrain traction and cargo-hauling abilities are all praised by Tundra owners. Most also enjoy a well sorted out ride, and say the looks and performance helped seal the deal.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: Common complaints include a large turning circle and low seats which create a potentially-awkward seating position. Some owners wish for a redesigned centre console, and others



complain of a harsh ride in the TRD Off-Road version.

COMMON ISSUES: On a test-drive, be sure to check

the Tundra's brakes and tires, ensuring that neither is in need of replacement. Many owners reported premature wear of both. Any

shuddering, grinding or vibration during stopping likely means a brake-job is needed.

A check-engine light

could indicate a bad oxygen sensor, which may adversely affect mileage and performance if not replaced.

As with any pickup truck, a thorough inspection of the underside for excessive rust, gouges, dents or other signs of trouble is highly advised. If you're not mechanically inclined, a visit to your Toyota dealer for a pre-purchase inspection may reveal any potential troubles. While beneath the vehicle, ask the inspecting mechanic to look for fluid leaks, and inspect the suspension for signs of excessive wear.

There's a lot of potentially-expensive hardware beneath a pickup truck, and shoppers shouldn't necessarily trust that the former owner isn't trying to pass the bill on. Additionally, those unsure of the service history of the machine in question should budget for a tune-up and full fluid change.

Finally, ask your dealership to see if the Tundra you're considering has any outstanding recall work.

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One of the most logical ways to save gasoline is not to use any at all. That's the thinking behind Chrysler's Interactive Decel Fuel Shut Off, or iDFSO, which turns off the fuel supply when it isn't needed.

Many automakers use similar technology in their vehicles. Chrysler puts it on a number of engines in its Chrysler, Dodge, Ram and Jeep brands, on both V6 and V8 configurations.

Engines run when gasoline vapour is injected in and then exploded by the spark plug. The resulting energy moves pistons, which turn a central crankshaft; that shaft's spinning motion is transferred through the transmission and drive shafts to turn the vehicle's wheels. The crankshaft revolves at all times when the engine is running, but when you're decelerating, the vehicle's momentum is enough to

keep it spinning. Since the engine is capable of running without gasoline due to this momentum, iDFSO temporarily shuts off the fuel supply.

Driving Force

"When you come off the throttle, the accelerator pedal sends a signal to the engine control unit," says Nick Cappa, public relations manager for Chrysler Group LLC. "The unit is also taking input from the wheel speed sensors, not just from the pedal, because



The iDFSO technology is available in the Dodge Challenger

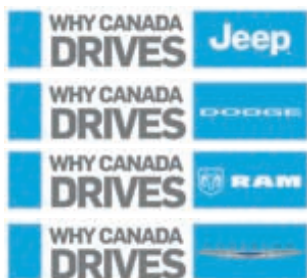
if you stopped at a stoplight (without fuel supply), the engine would die. If it gets too slow, the control unit recognizes it and the engine goes into normal fuel delivery operation."

The system is seamless and goes unnoticed by the driver. Fuel is only cut off during vehicle slowdown,

either when the driver takes her foot off the throttle or applies the brakes; fuel delivery remains at normal levels during all other driving. While the engine isn't receiving fuel during the shut-off period, it is still operating normally, and so peripherals such as the water pump and

power brakes continue to function normally.

The system is always monitoring the engine's operation, Cappa says. "It's always going to pay attention to the speed of the vehicle. It's just calibration and sensor input only, not a different fuel pump or injectors."



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Workology

Pro-life group at uCal warned

The University of Calgary has issued a formal warning to eight members of a campus pro-life group promising tougher sanctions if they continue setting up displays on campus. The warning is the result of uCalgary finding members of the student group guilty of non-academic misconduct. The non-academic charges stem from an incident last month in which group members refused campus security's request to turn their posters inward. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Rural or urban, a vet's question

Paws, Claws and Jobs

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Graduates from veterinary school have a wide career path opening before them, but for many, the decision comes down to rural versus urban. A rural career will likely be a mix of large-animal care like cows and small-animal care for the area pets, while urban will mean working in a



As a vet in rural areas, you'll be conducting many housecalls and working with many farm animals, such as cows and pigs.

pet hospital.

Dr Lisa Miller, associate dean of academic and student affairs at the Atlantic Veterinary College in P.E.I., says it's usually about lifestyle, not salary.

Those who are drawn to rural work often grew up in that environment or are attracted to the deeper community and greater independence. The downside is long hours and a lot



of traveling. While a pet hospital just opens its doors and lets the animals come to it, rural practitioners must travel to the animals.

"A lot of people can't

physically do the work," Miller says.

Elizabeth Lowenger, diversity and career coordinator at the Ontario Veterinary College, at the University of Guelph, says

the shortage of rural workers stems from the fact that women have come to dominate the profession in the past decade.

"It's a little more difficult to do large animal if you're pregnant or if you have children," she says. Women vets may start in rural, large-animal care, but are less likely to stay. "It's not quite as hygienic and it's long hours. If a cow is calving in the middle of the night, you've got to go," she says. "But some people like the variety."

Those factors were on Tasha Kean-Clark's mind when she graduated from the Atlantic Veterinary School in 2008 and moved to Calgary to start work in a small-animal clinic. She loves the challenges and regular life.

"Living in a large city with many 24-hour clinics means I never work overnight shifts, as I can transfer my patients out for the night if needed," she says. "The desire to work Monday to Friday ... and have a healthy work-life balance is the primary reason I am in small-animal medicine. The only downside is my love of emergency medicine, which I only get to do a smidge of."

A third way is to follow Miller's path — she's a pathologist. It allows her to work regular hours and on all species, but with a drawback: They're all dead by the time she gets to them.

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Conestoga in midst of major expansion

With already six campuses, Conestoga College is seeing expansion in Guelph, Waterloo, Kitchener, along with new campuses in Cambridge and Ingersoll. The first phase of the new Cambridge campus is set to open in fall 2011. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Don't go too far with criticism

WorkplaceLaw

Daniel Lublin



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This is the tale of two cases that together reveal the fate of employees who are too quick to criticize their bosses.

Following a number of poor performance reviews, Yingyi Chen had finally had enough of management's disdain. Chen, a production manager at a B.C. commercial fish farm, decided he would fire back. Returning from a month-long vacation, Chen learned that his company needed to raise funds through a share offering to existing shareholders. Knowing that the company was in a precarious financial position, Chen penned a letter to the shareholders widely expressing his dissatisfaction with management and how he felt the company was being run. Chen claimed that management was "disastrous." According to him, it had been "wasting" shareholders money and the company was being managed "on the road towards failure."

Chen was immediately fired. Believing that his conduct was not grounds for his dismissal with cause, Chen sued. Recently, he lost his case. In siding with the employer, the court found that Chen had attempted to embarrass both his managers and the board of directors in the eyes of the company's shareholders, and that by doing so without a good reason, his termination was upheld. Although Chen was entitled to criticize his bosses, it was the manner in which he did so that cost him the case.

Similarly, still upset following an angry confrontation with her boss, Maria Van Der Meij wasn't about to go quietly. A supervisor at a busy immigration cen-

tre in Victoria, B.C., Van Der Meij was burdened with a heavy caseload and funding shortfalls. The job was stressful and tensions often ran high.

When the errors of one of her staff mounted, Van Der Meij clashed with the centre's director about the appropriate discipline. Thinking that the director had acted improperly during the meeting, Van Der Meij left the office and later wrote to the board of direc-

tors, angrily criticizing her boss by accusing him of being a coward and lacking ethical standards.

Ultimately, Van Der Meij's letter cost her both her job and her case, as the court found that because she had spitefully criticized her boss, her dismissal was justified.

In both cases the courts accepted that employees are generally "entitled to criticize superiors without fear of immediate dis-

missal." However, sometimes silence can be golden. While employees will often have complaints that are reasonable or justified, the manner and tone in which they express them must always remain professional. When such criticism goes over the edge, an employer is not required to tolerate it.

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Workology in brief

GRAD HAPPINESS New research from Australia's National Centre for Vocational Education Research finds that undertaking vocational qualifications such as an apprenticeship or traineeship has a positive impact on happiness during and following training. In comparison, university graduates report high levels of happiness during their time at

school, but lower levels of happiness after graduation. One explanation for the decline in happiness associated with a university degree is that the time in university is particularly happy for those who go on to gain a degree, with their subsequent work and life experiences seeming to be not quite as good.

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Millennials' job expectations very unrealistic: Study

STUDY Most graduates undoubtedly aspire to ascend the career ladder, but new research suggests some members of the millennial generation have high expectations about how fast it will happen.

Sean Lyons of the University of Guelph co-wrote the

study which looked at the career expectations and priorities of millennials, described as the generation born in and after 1980.

Data for the study, published in the Journal of Business Psychology, came from more than 23,000 Canadian undergrads ranging in age

from 18 to 27.

Researchers found more than two-thirds of those surveyed expected to be promoted within the first 18 months in their first job. While the average starting salary expected for their first job was just under \$43,000, they expected to

see that annual pay rate climb to more than \$69,000 — a 63 per cent surge — within five years of graduation.

"What we see is that their actual expectations for starting pay are not that far off. However, they have absolutely no realistic expect-

tation about what their advancement opportunities are going to be or what their pay increase possibilities are likely to be," said Lyons, an assistant professor in the department of business.

"So basically what we're seeing is a set of unrealistic

expectations that are likely to be met with dissatisfaction when they can't be attained."

Lyons said the lofty expectations have been built from perceptions drawn partly from the media, and portrayals of lavish lifestyles on shows.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Colin Farrell is slated to play a vampire in the Fright Night remake opposite Anton Yelchin, empireonline.com reports. Craig Gillespie is directing the Marti Noxon-scripted redo of the cult 1985 horror comedy drama. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Entertainment

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Matters of the heart

Redgrave, Seyfried search for love in Letters to Juliet

ANNE BRODIE
for Metro Canada

Amanda Seyfried and Vanessa Redgrave star in Gary Winick's romance drama Letters to Juliet. They embark on a mission to find the lower Redgrave's character left behind in Tuscany 50 years earlier.

The key is the longstanding tourist tradition of writing letters to Juliet, Shakespeare's tragic heroine in Romeo and Juliet. Girls come to Verona from all over the world to leave love letters to Juliet's balcony, which are answered by Juliet's 'secretaries.' Director Gary Winick gave it a shot himself ... just to see, before

committing to the major production with one of his most admired actresses.

"I wrote to the secretaries from New York asking for advice. You send the letter and you know Juliet doesn't exist, never did, but there are these secretaries who do and they answer. I just did it. The film pitch was that a letter got stuck in the wall and fifty years later gets answered and that person comes to find (the) person they were in love with. Everyone said 'wow, this is great.' That became a really big focus and it was a great role for an older actress. Vanessa Redgrave was our first choice. She would come

back to Verona to look for her Lorenzo."

Redgrave avoided the cliché of longing for him. "We discussed it in the rehearsals but Vanessa didn't want it to go in that direction. She shouldn't be feeling a longing for her lover, or getting to a place where she would just want to go home. Vanessa said she feels it's an adventure and that it shouldn't escalate. She was able to build the longing even though it wasn't plotted out and the wonderful actress that she is, she did by degrees arrange these moments."

Seyfried plays an American visitor to Verona who is enchanted by the idea of

a living Juliet legacy. She set Redgrave's character on her search across Italy, as she weathers her own romantic upheavals.

"Another layer that I liked and tried to make sure came across was the mother/daughter relationship of Vanessa and Amanda, their friendship. Amanda brought so much to the role, sophistication, nuance, and experience."

Winick's career as a director of chick flicks soared back in 2004 with the international success of 13 Going on 30 with Jennifer Garner. But he has noticed that usually reliable romance films are harder to make now.

"Because of that film I will always get work. And



Swift rise

She's only 20, but Taylor Swift is getting in the hall of fame. The country starlet will receive the Hal David Starlight Award at the Songwriters Hall of Fame Awards on June 17. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Vanessa Redgrave, left, and Amanda Seyfried star in director Gary Winick's romance drama Letters to Juliet.

Jennifer Garner, we want to make something together this fall. But movies have changed, things got kind of weird. When we did 13 Going on 30, we just did it. Now everyone is attached but things are only kind of green lit. It's unfortunate because they keep

making bad movies, either way. They should make fewer movies and better ones. And considering the demographic that rules the theatres, the young boys, and every movie I made was the exact opposite."

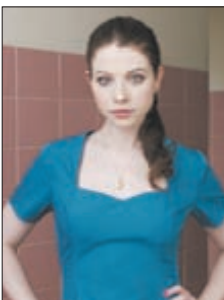
Perhaps most especially Letters to Juliet.

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critics' corner

Mercy

Veronica (Taylor Schilling) finds herself in the right place at the right time to help two boys trapped in an abandoned building. Chloe (Michelle Trachtenberg) pressures doctors to perform a dangerous operation on her comatose boyfriend. Sonia (Jaime Lee Kirchner) treats a psychic patient (guest star Aida Turturro), who makes a mysterious prediction. James Van Der Beek also stars in the new episode "That Crazy Bitch Was Right." 9 PM on CKEM, 10 PM on KHK.



Cougar Town

Jules (Courteney Cox) encourages Travis (Dan Byrd) to submit a graduation speech, then is crushed when she reads it and discovers he hasn't acknowledged her. Ellie (Christa Miller) unexpectedly does something nice for Laurie (Busy Philipps). Bobby (Brian Van Holt) tries to quell his inclination to embarrass Travis on his big day. Josh Hopkins also stars in the new episode "Breakdown." 10:30 PM on CKEM. KXLY

In brief

APOLLO Smokey Robinson, Ella Fitzgerald and James Brown were among the music legends being honoured on the Apollo Theater's new Walk of Fame in New York City. Workers on Monday began installing sidewalk plaques in front of the storied Harlem theatre celebrating some of the artists who have performed there. Others include Little Richard, Patti LaBelle and Gladys Knight and the Pips. "For me to have a plaque honouring me in front of the Apollo Theater is one of the proudest achievements in my life," Robinson said. "I started out at the Apollo and it will always be a home to me."

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REMAKE MTV has ordered 10 episodes of a U.S. remake of the hit British teen drama Skins, tvsquad.com reports. The remake, like the original, will be written by a young star and will star unknown teen actors and actresses.

NEW CHARACTER The HBO vamp series True Blood has tapped British actor Lara Pulver and 90210's Michael Steger for key roles in the show's third season, tvsquad.com reported. Pulver has singed to play Claudine, Sookie Stackhouse's fairy godmother, according to the Ausiello Files. Steger, meanwhile, will guest star as a gay prostitute named Tony who gets mixed up in the Vampire King of Mississippi.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

The king of Cool

Idol contestant James has his town's support

Casey James isn't just an American Idol heartthrob. The guitar-playing crooner is also the king of Cool.

Cool, Texas, that is. The tiny ranching and farming community where James grew up is rallying around the musician who is one of the last four contestants left in this season's show.

A marquee outside the Cool Community Center reads "Am. Idol Casey James!" At his former high school in nearby Millsap, a banner proclaiming "MHS (hearts) Casey James" hangs over the main entrance, where the doors are covered with dozens of signs: "Vote Casey — He's the Best" and "Casey James Rocks!"

A Millsap High teacher has made a shrine to James in her classroom, featuring a candle, his senior yearbook and a poster covered with his photos. Last week, about 200 people watched American Idol on big-screen televisions at the school, which has about 265 students.

"It's a really big thing at school and all over town because Millsap has never had anyone famous," said Jerra Lewis, who taught James in her theatre class before he graduated in 2000.

James has been a fan favourite since his Denver audition for the Fox show's ninth season, when some of



American Idol contestant Casey James' town of Cool, Texas, is rallying around the musician who is one of four left this season.

the judges asked the 27-year-old to remove his shirt and take down his ponytail — revealing wavy, dirty-blond locks.

Hollywood is a long way from Cool, a 200-resident town about 40 miles west of Fort Worth. But while playing the guitar and singing on the front porch or performing with his mother's band in local festivals, he had big dreams.

Under his senior yearbook photo where he sports short, spiky hair, his plans are listed as being "a famous blues musician."

While trying to start his career, James moved to Fort Worth and played with bands of various genres — from bluegrass to heavy metal — and even performed solo for tips in coffee houses.

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Tyra agrees to new three-book deal

NOVEL Tyra Banks wants to spread some truth, and a little fantasy.



Banks

The talk show host and former model has agreed to a three-book deal with Delacorte Press for a fantasy series for young people. It's about a girl trying to keep up with the beauty game at an elite school for supermodels, or Intoxibellas.

Delacorte said yesterday that the first novel, Modeland, comes out in the summer of 2011. elacorte is an imprint of Random House Children's Books.

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In brief

CANNES Hard times for the economy. Hard times for the Cannes Film Festival, at least in terms of splashy Hollywood films for which the world's most prestigious cinema showcase is known.

Cannes opens Wednesday with Russell Crowe, Cate Blanchett and Ridley Scott's Robin Hood, one of the few A-list premieres at this year's festival, whose lineup has an undercurrent of economic themes.

PUBLISHING Playboy readers who can only imagine what it would look like if a centrefold jumped right off the page are getting new specs to help them see into Hef's world. The magazine's June edition hits newsstands Friday equipped with 3D glasses.

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Kelly Osbourne is shocked she and her fiancé have been together for two years, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 25-year-old star insists she and model Luke Worrall, 20, are happier than ever and are still inseparable after all this time. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Celebrity Buzz

Anne, you make bad boy choices

WAIT, BUT WHAT'S THE COMMON DENOMINATOR HERE? MAYBE SHE'S THE CRIMINAL MASTERMIND BEHIND THE BOTCHED REAL ESTATE DEALS AND ART THEFT Can't Anne Hathaway — one of Hollywood's most angelic and seemingly nice young actresses — just find a guy without some sort of criminal implications?

The Alice in Wonderland starlet is stuck in the middle of more headlines thanks to a significant oth-

er, as her new boyfriend Adam Shulman allegedly took off with part of a painted mural, popeater.com reports.

Unfortunately for Shulman, someone else claims the mural is his property, and is going to press charges unless it's returned.

For Hathaway, this must be a blatant reminder of her romantic woes past. She previously was in a long-term relationship

with Raffaello Follieri, who is currently serving jail time after he pleaded guilty to fraud charges.

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One ring to unbind them

THE END IS NIGH Brooke Mueller has ditched her wedding ring in a sign that her marriage to Charlie Sheen may soon be over, despite their claims that they are trying to work through things, according to Radar Online.

"The ring is off for good," a source says. "Brooke has had enough. Charlie has cheated on her repeatedly and lied to her about it."

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Today, **LADY GAGA** isn't complaining, **RUSSELL CROWE** isn't having a great time in France, **AVRIL LAVIGNE** is easily amused, and **RUSSELL BRAND** isn't pleased with England's election results.

@ladygaga life is a red carpet
@russellcrowe so far, Cannes as glamorous as a sausage sandwich. hotel took suits couple hours ago to steam, haven't returned. Shorts n' hood 4 press.

@AvrilLavigne Sun's coming up!!!! Hahaha
@rustyrocks

Democracy doesn't work! Revolution! would I.

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Moving her money maker

AND MAKING HER PARENTS PROUD. NO, SERIOUSLY Miley Cyrus' new hyper-sexualized video for Can't Be Tamed may have a lot of folks complaining, but the 17-year-old's own folks aren't among them.

"My dad loves it," Cyrus tells MTV News. "I think my dad was thinking I was a little crazy while I was writing it."

Cyrus adds that both dad Billy Ray Cyrus and mom Tish Cyrus are behind her.

"They were so proud of the treatment that I came up for it with my good friend Jamal," she says, referring to choreographer Jamal Sims.

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Marking their territory

WITH A HAS-BEEN BEAT DOWN Lindsay Lohan apparently has a new nemesis in Avril Lavigne after the two allegedly engaged in a screaming match when Lohan tried to chat up Lavigne's pals at the Chateau Marmont in L.A., according to Page Six.

"As soon as she approached, Avril launched at her and said, 'Get the hell out of my face, you are fake,

you are a loser. I don't like false people. Stay away from me and my friends,'" a source says.

Lohan reportedly stomped off and tried to convince

security to kick Lavigne's group out, but they refused and Lohan eventually left herself.

"Avril is avoiding going to the Chateau Marmont when she knows Lindsay will be there," the source adds.

"She doesn't want any more drama."

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Chenoweth stands up for gay actors

THEY CAN ACT LIKE THEY WANT TO KISS HER Broadway actress Kristin Chenoweth has slammed Newsweek writer Ramin Setoodeh, who criticized Sean Hayes for not being able to successfully play a straight man in Promises, Promises.

He went on to generalize the casting problem to all gay actors, popeater.com reported. An upset Chenoweth

immediately wrote a lengthy response to support her

Broadway co-star.

"This article offends me because I am a human being, a woman and a Christian. For example, there was a time when Jewish actors had to change their names because anti-Semites thought no Jew could convincingly play Gentle," she wrote.

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A 21st-century woman

SHE'S JUST LIKE US! Amanda Seyfried puts her career before love, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 24-year-old star — who has been dating the British actor Dominic Cooper since they met on the set of Mamma Mia! in 2008 — admitted she would put her career in Hollywood before any man in her life.

Speaking of her role in the

movie Letters to Juliet she said: "My character was very motivated by her job and not by her love life, which is kind of normal for a girl her age."

"I know it is for me. Sometimes I focus less on my relationship and more on my career."

The actress also claimed that being in a relationship can become "very warped" when you're so in love with somebody.

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White's on top of the world

NOW THEY WANT HER TO DANCE WITH THE STARS The wave of affection for Betty White continues.

After pulling in high ratings and rave reviews hosting Saturday Night Live, producers for another hit show are looking to snatch her up.

"Dancing With The Stars would love to have Betty White grace the dance floor next sea-

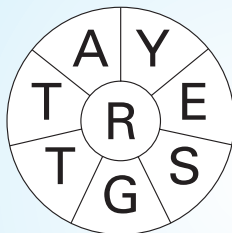
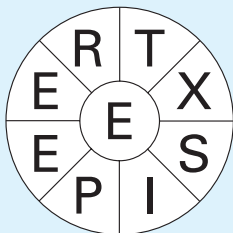
son," a source close to the show tells Popeater.

"Not only would she guarantee great ratings, she would also make it easier for a lot of big celebrities — who up

to now have been sitting on the fence — to sign on.

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Sun and clouds
20°C / 3°C

Thursday
Afternoon clouds
21°C / 6°C

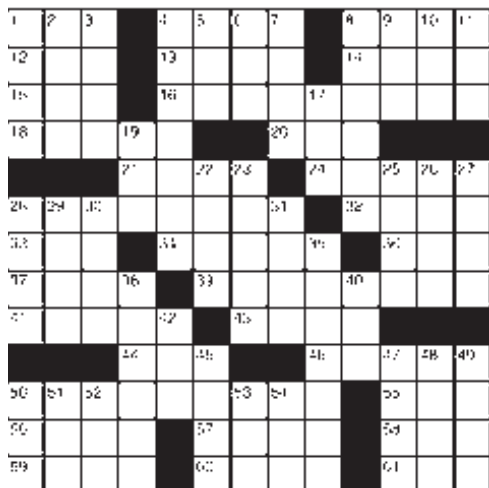
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23°C / 7°C



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ACROSS

- 1 Banned insecticide
- 4 Computer geek
- 8 Sharpen
- 12 Reaction to fireworks
- 13 Eye layer
- 14 Unusual
- 15 Ultra-modern (Pref.)
- 16 Home of MIT
- 18 Thin porridge
- 20 Held a meeting
- 21 Road Runner's sound
- 24 Type of golf club
- 28 Phnom Penh's country
- 32 Authentic
- 33 Undivided
- 34 Zeroes
- 36 Meadow
- 37 Barbershop prop
- 39 "Wichita Line-man" singer
- 41 Massage
- 43 Addict
- 44 Conk out

- 46 Humorous
- 50 Soft cheese
- 55 Commotion
- 56 Enthusiastic, plus
- 57 Formerly
- 58 Agent, briefly
- 59 Chiming sound
- 60 Approach
- 61 Type measures

DOWN

- 1 Ding follower
- 2 Active one
- 3 Grand
- 4 Atomic bit
- 5 Actress Mendes
- 6 Sleep phenom
- 7 Slight touches
- 8 Author
- 9 Owned
- 10 Work unit
- 11 Shirt shape
- 17 Uncooked
- 19 Recede
- 22 Learning (Abbr.)
- 23 Rice recipe (Var.)
- 25 Take out of context?
- 26 Food critic
- 27 Mideastern airline
- 28 Tilt, as the head
- 29 In due time
- 30 Unit of cultural information
- 31 Charitable donations
- 35 Ghost
- 38 No-goodnik
- 40 Sis' counterpart
- 42 Poorly lit
- 45 Black, in poetry
- 47 Filly's mom
- 48 The same, in a bibliography
- 49 Long-running true-crime TV show
- 50 Taxi
- 51 Past
- 52 Calendar abbr.
- 53 Compass dir.
- 54 HDTV maker

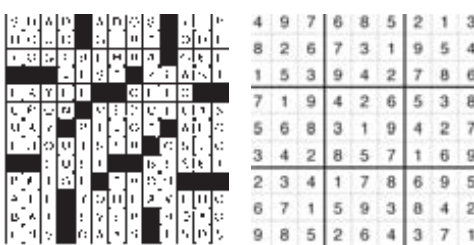
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Bulgur with Spring Vegetables

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/4 cups bulgur
- 3 1/2 cups boiling water
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 3 tbsp fresh lemon juice
- Salt to taste
- 1/2 tsp pepper
- 2 leeks, halved lengthwise, then cut crosswise into 1-inch pieces
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 12 asparagus spears, cut into 2-inch lengths
- 1 cup frozen peas
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh mint

METHOD:

- 1 Combine bulgur and boiling water in large heatproof bowl. Let stand until bulgur is tender, 30 minutes; stir after 15 minutes. Drain bulgur in large fine-meshed sieve to get rid of remaining liquid.

- 2 Whisk 1 tbsp of oil,

lemon juice, salt and pepper in large bowl. Add bulgur; fluff with fork to separate grains and combine them with lemon mixture.

3. Heat remaining oil in medium skillet over low heat. Add leeks and garlic; cook until leeks are tender, 5 minutes. Transfer to bowl with bulgur.

4. In steamer set over pot of boiling water, steam asparagus until tender, 4 minutes. Add peas during final 30 seconds of steaming. Add vegetables to bowl of bulgur along with mint and toss to combine. Serve at room temperature or chilled.

SERVES 6
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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
There are some interesting things going on behind the scenes but you won't find out what they are, at least not yet. Don't worry.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
If you cannot make up your mind what you should do today, seek the advice of someone whose opinions you know you can trust.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Everyday tasks and chores will make you happy today. You will appreciate the way they don't tax your brain too much.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Even the most negative of Cancerians will be looking to the future with hope. You can sense that something special is going to happen.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
If the goal you are pursuing is a goal others have persuaded you to aim for it's unlikely to lead to happiness.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Listen carefully to what friends and family and work colleagues are saying. In there somewhere is information that can be turned to your own advantage.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Your words seem to carry extra weight with family and friends at the moment and if you need to sell them an idea now is the time to do it.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
Whatever ideas you have over the next few days you can be sure the planets are behind you 100 per cent.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Is someone you are close to trying to undermine you? It may seem that way but just because they are acting strangely does not mean they are.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
Your way with words will open the right doors, in the right way, at the right time. Words are power. Use them wisely.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
Be brutally honest with people today, even those who don't take kindly to being told what to do.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Do something creative today. The planets are moving in your favor at the moment, so all things are possible.



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